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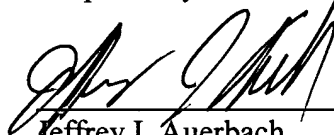
Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance (dated August 31, 2006) with respect to the above-identified patent application. The papers accompanying the Notice of Allowance indicate that a copy of the Declaration of the Inventors could not be found in the application papers. Applicants accordingly herewith submit:

- (1) A Substitute Declaration.

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Respectfully Submitted,

  
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